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SUMMARY: REPS OF 11 ALLIED COUNTRIES MET AT NATO
FEBRUARY 19, UNDER CHAIRMANSHIP OF ASYG OZDAS, TO
CONSIDER CCMS FOLLOW-UP. BASIS FOR DISCUSSION
WAS SECRETARIAT DRAFT PAPER REF B. OTHER
ALLIED VIEWS GENERALLY IN ACCORD WITH THOSE OF U.S.
IN FAVOR MAINTAINING AND STRENGTHENING CCMS FOLLOW-UP
PROCEDURE. SECRETARIAT WILL CIRCULATE IN 10 DAYS
A REDRAFT OF PRESENT PAPER, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT IDEAS
EXPRESSED AT MEETING, FOR FURTHER ALLIED CONSIDERATION
AND WILL CONVENE ANOTHER MEETING AT NATO TO DISCUSS IT IF
NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE CONSENSUS. HIGHLIGHTS OF FEBRUARY 19
MEETING SET FORTH BELOW.
END SUMMARY.

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1. ASYG OZDAS OPENED MEETING WITH REVIEW OF BACKGROUND
OF CCMS FOLLOW-UP PROCEDURE,
DRAWING ON PAPER PREPARED BY
SECRETARIAT (SPIELMAN). MISSION POUCHING PAPER

TO RPM/SCHOLLAERT AND WHITE HOUSE/HODSOLL. MEETING ATTENDED BY NATO DELOFFS REPRESENTING BELGIUM, CANADA, DENMARK, FRG, FRANCE, ITALY, NETHERLANDS, PORTUGAL, TURKEY, UK AND US. COMMANDER RENSON, BELGIAN LEADER OF COASTAL WATER POLLUTION STUDY, AND MR BONK OF FRG MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT, ALSO PARTICIPATED ON BEHALF THEIR GOVERNMENTS.

2. SALIENT ALLIED VIEWS AS FOLLOWS:

BELGIUM--RENSON CALLED FOR A HEIGHTENED SECRETARIAT ROLE TO COMPLEMENT AND REINFORCE FOLLOW-UP EFFORTS OF PILOT COUNTRIES, BOTH TO ELICIT NATIONAL REPORTS AND TO PROMOTE ALLIED IMPLEMENTATION OF AGREED PILOT STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS. HE STRESSED VALUE OF FOLLOW-UP EXPERTS MEETING AFTER SUITABLE INTERVAL AS INCENTIVE TO ALLIED IMPLEMENTATION IN MENATIME AND AS MEANS OF ASSISTING CCMS IN DETERMINING WHAT IF ANY FURTHER FOLLOW-UP WARRANTED. AT SAME TIME, HE WARNED THAT THIS EVENTUAL DEFINITIVE FOLLOW-UP REVIEW BY CCMS SHOULD NOT LESSEN IMPORTANCE OF INTERIM ANNUAL FOLLOW-UP REPORTING EXERCISE. AS SPUR TO ALLIED IMPLEMENTATION OF PILOT STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS.

CANADA--CANADA RECOMMENDED DESIGNING SPECIFIC METHODOLOGY AND INITIAL TIMEFRAME FOR FOLLOW-UP AS PROVISION OF FINAL PILOT STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS. FOLLOW-UP WOULD NORMALLY TAKE FORM OF ANNUAL REPORTS TO CCMS AND NAC FOR TWO YEARS WITH DECISION AT END OF THIS TIME BY CCMS WHETHER TO PROLONG FOLLOW-UP FOR FURTHER SPECIFIC PERIOD WITH RESPECT TO ALL, A PORTION OR NONE OF PILOT STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS. CCMS MIGHT ALSO DECIDE AT THAT POINT WHETHER TO ALTER METHOD OR FREQUENCY OF REPORTING. THIS DEFINITIVE CCMS FOLLOW-UP ASSESSMENT COULD DRAW ON FINDINGS OF EXPERT GROUP CONVENED TO REVIEW THE ORIGINAL PILOT STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS.

FRANCE--FRENCH DELOFF EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR FOLLOW-UP IN UNCLASSIFIED

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PRINCIPLE BUT INSISTED THAT IT NOT DEPART FROM SPECIFIC, AGREED-UPON TERMS OF REFERENCE IN INDIVIDUAL CASES. WITH RESPECT TO CONSTITUTING EXPERT WORKING GROUPS TO PURSUE OR REVIEW PILOT STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS DURING FOLLOW-UP PERIOD, HE EXPRESSED FAMILIAR FRENCH CONCERN ABOUT CREATING NEW INTER-NATIONAL COMMITTEES OR OTHER BODIES OUTSIDE EXISTING IGO FRAMEWORK.

FRG-- FRG EXPRESSED STRONG SUPPORT FOR FOLLOW-UP AS ESSENTIAL FEATURES OF CCMS. FRG COMMENTS GENERALLY FOLLOWED LINE PREVIEWED PARA 3(C) REF C. BONK DREW ATTENTION TO PROVISION IN DRAFT ROAD SAFETY PILOT

STUDY FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A "STEERING GROUP" OF HIGH-LEVEL ALLIED GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IN ROAD SAFETY FIELD TO COORDINATE FOLLOW-UP WORK AMONG INTERESTED COUNTRIES; HE THEREFORE BELIEVED FOLLOW-UP RESPONSIBILITY WITH PILOT COUNTRY BUT SHOULD PROVIDE IN GENERAL TERMS FOR OTHER POSSIBLE FOLLOW-UP LEADERSHIP ARRANGEMENTS AS IN ROAD SAFETY CASE.

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UK--UK DEL ARGUED THAT IN ADDITION TO SPELLING OUT FOLLOW-UP REPORTING PROCEDURE, IS DRAFT PAPER SHOULD SKETCH IN SOME OF THE OPERATIONAL FOLLOW-UP ALTERNATIVES FOR THE COUNTRIES INVOLVED.

3. MOST OTHER ALLIED REPS SPOKE IN SUPPORT OF CCMS FOLLOW-UP APPROACH. VIRTUALLY ALL PRESENT FAVORED MAINTAINING TO MAXIMUM FEASIBLE EXTENT A FLEXIBLE AD HOC FOLLOW-UP PROCEDURE VARYING WITH NATURE AND REQUIREMENTS OF INDIVIDUAL PILOT STUDY, AND AGREED-UPON AS PART OF CCMS APPROVAL OF FINAL PILOT STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS. MOST REPS SUPPORTED EXPANDED SECRETARIAT ROLE TO AID IN PROMOTING FOLLOW-UP WORK. US REP CONCURRED IN THIS GENERAL APPROACH ON BASIS US POSITION ON FOLLOW-UP AS EXPRESSED IN PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS AT NATO.

4. AS RESULT OF FEBRUARY 19 DISCUSSION, SECRETARIAT WILL PREPARE REVISED DRAFT PAPER, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT VIEWS EXPRESSED AT MEETING, AND CIRCULATE IT IN ABOUT 10 DAYS FOR ALLIED COMMENT. OZDAS WILL THEN DECIDE IF ANOTHER SUCH MEETING AT NATO IS

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AS BASIS FOR FOLLOW-UP DISCUSSION PLANNED FOR CCMS
PLENARY IN TURIN.RUMSFELD

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